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**The Star And The  
Straight Ticket**

The Advertiser does The Star the honor of quoting some of The Star's editorial expressions of last October on the subject of straight ticket voting. There is nothing in the quotation which is contrary to The Star's present position, and it may be repeated once more, for the benefit of those who adhere to the idea which The Star only a few days ago called "the straight ticket absurdity": "The policy of voting a party ticket straight because the organization has done important work in preparing it, and because there is danger in scratching, is a policy which would have perpetuated the power of almost every corrupt political boss who has perfected a machine in an American community. It is all Boss Tweed asked before he went to Sing-Sing, and all Boss Croker wanted before he fled to Europe. On the other side of the continent, it kept Blind Boss Buckley safe with both hands in San Francisco's treasury, year after year, and was the sole argument that could be dragged into the campaign in support of the machine of Boss Burns."

Most intelligent citizens laugh at the idea that they are under any obligation to vote a straight ticket because a party organization asks it. At the same time they will vote a straight ticket if the straight ticket of their own party happens to be satisfactory. That is common sense party loyalty. The other kind is the kind the Tweeds, Crokers and Buckleys want,—the kind that votes for whatever a party organization orders it to vote for. The Star has never urged the straight ticket idea and does not do so now.

**Unprecedented  
Political Action**

The action of High Sheriff Henry yesterday, in lining up the men under him and requiring them to state whether or not they intended to vote for him, furnished an incident which most citizens found it hard to believe. The average comment was "it can't be true," but the scene nevertheless took place. It is one which those who took part in it will never forget. It may be questioned whether ever before in the history of American politics a body of supposed free citizens has been subjected to such a humiliating ordeal as being lined up by their superior in office and made to declare themselves in such a manner, with a record kept of their answers. The Advertiser, with a truly extraordinary idea of what constitutes the news of the day, instead of giving an account of what took place yesterday, springs a sensational account of a meeting held in the jail considerably over a year ago, when former High Sheriff Brown was in charge. This is an evident confession of the wrong done yesterday and an attempt to show that Brown did the same. There is, however, a vast difference between the two meetings, even if the account which Henry supplied the Advertiser will be taken as true. It is not claimed that Brown ever lined his men up and called their names by roll and demanded that they declare themselves. It is merely stated that he addressed them, telling them to vote the Republican ticket.

The indecacy, the tyranny, the political unwisdom of Henry's action are so apparent that it is easy to imagine how incredible the incident seemed to those reading of it. It is safe to say that many expected Henry's Advertiser this morning to deny that Henry called a roll and took down his men's answers, instead of saying that Brown once held a meeting. Henry has set the police force fairly ablaze with hostility towards himself. The humiliation put upon his subordinates is of a kind that men do not forget. Most of them are dependent upon their monthly salaries, paid by the people and not by Henry, and they must needs obey orders when told to line up in the police station and tell how they intend to vote. Doubtless Manager Ballentyne of the Rapid Transit Company would be able to muster his conductors and motormen in the same way, and a majority would submit. Such support as William Henry had among the self-respecting American voters of the community was more than cut in half by yesterday's scene. Governor Carter recently announced that he had instructed heads of departments to keep out of politics in response to popular criticisms of undue official activity. What does he think of his sheriff, lining up police employees and forcing them to answer the question, "Will you vote for me?" What would Roosevelt say of such a means of trying to win an election? What would any American community say? Many a political boss, many large employers all over America call their men together and address them, tell them how to vote and hope they will follow the advice or instruction, but William Henry is alone in daring to make each man individually declare himself. He will feel the force of their resentment before many days pass by. As plainly as words could put it, this idol of the Civic Federation,—supposed sponsor for purity in politics and administration,—has established a new rule of promotion in the Oahu police department: "Vote for me and get on the good credit list." How does the Civic Federation like the opening of its campaign?

**Physical Effect  
Of Alcohol**

The question of the use and the abuse of alcohol is one that is ever before the people of civilized communities and though in the more recent decades a distinct advance has been made in the line of temperance there remains much to be done. Gradually it has become more and more apparent that the campaign against the use of intoxicants must be one of education, that appeals to sentiment are useless or that their results at the most are transitory.

One of the most remarkable contributions to the literature of the temperance cause has been made by Sir Frederick Treves, the famous English physician who was surgeon-extraordinary to Queen Victoria, is now surgeon-in-ordinary to King Edward, and who performed the operation on that monarch three years ago. Sir Frederick moreover has seen active service in different parts of the world and is a man of wide human sympathy and experience, he is in fact one of the very last men to be classed as a "temperance crank," yet his utterance on the use of alcohol is startlingly to the point.

In the course of an address on "The Physical Effects of the Use of Alcohol," as reported by the London Times, the great surgeon said that alcohol was, of course, distinctly a poison. It had certain uses like other poisons, but the limitations on its use should be as strict as on arsenic, opium, and strychnia. It was a curiously insidious poison, producing effects which seemed to be only relieved by taking more of it—a remark which applied to another insidious poison, morphia, or opium. It had a certain position as medicine, but in the last 25 years its use by the medical profession had steadily and emphatically diminished. People were often heard to say that alcohol was an excellent appetizer when taken before meals. But the appetite did not need artificial stimulation; if the body wanted feeding it demanded food. As for its "aiding digestion," it hindered digestion even when taken in

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small amounts, as could be easily demonstrated. Then there was the idea that alcohol was strengthening. As a fact, it curiously modified the nourishment of the body; it greatly lessened the output of carbonic acid—a very important matter—so that the drunkard was necessarily an ill-nourished man; and to reach the acme of physical condition was impossible if any alcohol was used. Its stimulating effect was only momentary, and after that had passed off the capacity for work fell enormously. Alcohol, as it were, brought up the whole of the reserve forces of the body and threw them into action, and when these were used up there was nothing to fall back on. It dissipated rather than conserved bodily energy. As a work producer it was exceedingly extravagant, and might lead to a physical bankruptcy; and he was not speaking, he would remind them, of excessive drinking. It was a curious fact that troops could not march on alcohol. In the Lady-smith relief column, which he accompanied, the first men to drop out were simply the men who drank. The fact was as clear as if they had all borne labels on their backs. As for the statement that alcohol was "a great thing for the circulation," it increased the heart-beat and reddened the skin by using up the body's reserve power, but then the heart's action became emphatically weaker, a temporary effect being got at an enormous cost. The action of alcohol on the central nervous system was very definite, and was that of a functional poison, first stimulating and then depressing the nervous system. The higher nervous centers went first, becoming slightly dulled. The man who worked on even a moderate amount of alcohol was not at his best. Fine work could not be done under that condition. The use of alcohol was absolutely inconsistent with a surgeon's work, or with any work demanding quick and alert judgment. He was much struck by the number of professional men who for this reason had discontinued the use of alcohol in the middle of the day. The last notion he would refer to was that alcohol kept out the cold—that a "little nip" was good when going out into cold air, and so forth. In the words of a great authority, alcohol really lowered the temperature of the body by increased loss of heat and to some extent by increased oxidation, and much reduced the power of the body to resist cold. Finally, he would say that the great and laudable ambition of all, and especially of young men, to be "fit" could not possibly be achieved if they took alcohol. It was simply preposterous to suppose that any young healthy person needed any alcohol whatever; and, indeed, he was much better without even the smallest amount of it. Having spent the greater part of his life operating, he would say, with Sir James Paget, that of all people those he dreaded to operate on were the drinkers. He hoped that what he had said would help his hearers to answer such absolute fallacies as "a glass of port can do you no harm."

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The Civic Federation has brought out two candidates, High Sheriff Henry and Joe Fern. Henry pledged himself to support Brown. Fern pledged himself to support the candidates for supervisor which the convention should nominate. Both men are going back on their pledges. What assurance has the public that if elected they will keep faith with it, any more than they have kept faith with others to whom they pledged their word?

It is admitted by all that William Henry made a competent warden of Oahu prison. Doubtless even Henry himself regrets that he ever tried to be anything more.

And so the Star is going to get the County printing if Brown is elected, according to the Advertiser. That is really the best news of the campaign.

If the esteemed Advertiser can point to one instance in which the Star has advocated the election of a grafter to public office the Star will take of its coat and join the Advertiser in its effort to elect Poegee.

Governor Carter's plain duty is to summarily remove Hi Henry from office for his outrageous action yesterday in attempting to coerce the votes of the police. And here's betting that he will not do it.

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